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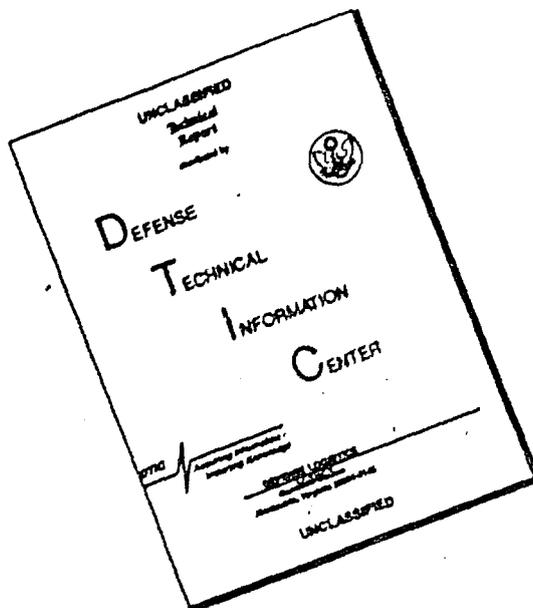
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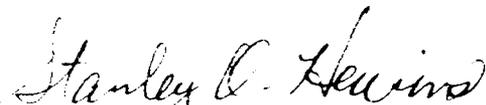
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| <p>Previous methods to acquire and monitor community noise levels at Air Force bases were time consuming. This report provides a method to use Metrosonics model db-310 Noise Dosimeters with Zenith Z-248 or Z-184 microcomputers to measure Day-Night Average Noise Levels (DNLs).</p> | | | |
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I. INTRODUCTION

A. Purpose: The primary purpose of this report is to document AFOEHL/EHI Noise Function procedures for down loading data from the Metrosonics db-310 noise dosimeter into ENABLE software and automatically calculate a day-night noise level (DNL). The secondary purpose is to make this report available to base level bioenvironmental engineers so they can perform DNL monitoring.

B. Problem: The Metrosonics db-310 Dosimeter does not provide automatic calculation of DNLs for environmental noise surveys. Previous environmental noise surveys using the db-310 Dosimeter required DNL values to be calculated manually from the paper printout of sound levels. Manual calculations proved to be both laborious and monotonous; worse, one missed key stroke would require a restart of this whole calculation. In addition, the quality of the printouts are very poor if reproduction is required. The manual method of DNL calculating made long term environmental noise monitoring tedious and labor intensive with many opportunities for error.

C. Scope: This report presents a program listing, setup requirements, procedures and operating instructions for DNL calculations using the Metrosonics db-310 Noise Dosimeter, a Z-248 or Z-184 Microcomputer, ENABLE software, and a BASIC program. Procedures and operating instructions describe (1) programming the Metrosonics db-310 Dosimeter parameters for environmental noise measurements, (2) down loading its data to a Zenith Z-248 or Z-184 Computer using ENABLE, and (3) running a BASIC program which calculates the DNL and provides a hard copy of the results.

D. Flexibility and Limitation: The BASIC program can be modified to generate different printout formats. ENABLE communication Macros can be created to accelerate the down loading of dosimeter data. The program will not print out the AF Form 2756A, Noise Dosimeter Survey.

II. GENERAL DISCUSSION

A. DNL Criteria Overview: In addition to the normal db-310 use for occupational noise exposure measurements, the db-310 can be used to measure the average day-night sound level (DNL) for community noise criteria and compliance. However, community environmental noise ordinances could vary within the same area due to the type of zoning and the type of criteria adopted by the surrounding community. For example, one township specified maximum sound pressure level for each octave band that could not be exceeded at any time. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) uses a criterion of 65 dB or less for DNL criterion before approving funds for housing projects. The EPA DNL goal is 55 dB. As a result, the surrounding community dictates the type of criteria for environmental noise. Therefore, the applicable criteria for the site(s) of interest should be defined before conducting an environmental noise survey due to the wide range of zoning variations. The local community planning authority would be the source of information for the applicable ordinances that have to be met. Additional information can be found in 24 CFR, Subtitle A, Part 51, Environmental Criteria and Standards, and AFM 19-10, Planning in the Noise Environment. The DNL convention is used to measure the 24 hour community environmental noise.

DNL is a 24 hour A-weighted equivalent sound level, with a 10 dB penalty applied to the nighttime sound levels occurring between the hours of 2200 and 0700. The abbreviations Ldn and DNL are used by various authors for DNL. DNLs are calculated by the equation:

$$Ldn = 10 \log 1/24 [15 \times 10^{(Ld/10)} + 9 \times 10^{(Ln+10/10)}]$$

Ld = Daytime equivalent A-weighted sound level between the hours of 0700 and 2200.

Ln = Nighttime equivalent A-weighted sound level between the hours of 2200 and 0700.

B. DNL General Requirements Overview:

1. Metrosonics db-310 Parameters for DNL Measurements:

The requirements in setting up the Metrosonics db-310 parameters for DNL measurements are:

- a. The doubling rate is 3 dB instead of 4 dB.
- b. The test length is 24 hours instead of 8 hours.
- c. The time interval is one hour instead of one minute.
- d. Ln(1), Ln(10), Ln(50), Ln(90) exceedance levels should be used.

NOTE: Ln(x.x%): Exceedance Levels - The noise levels exceeded x.x% percent of the time.

Ln(1.0%): Peak noise level - Noise level exceeded 1% of the time.

Ln(10.0%): Intrusive noise level - Noise level exceeded 10% of the time.

Ln(50.0%): Median noise level - Noise level exceeded 50% of the time.

Ln(90.0%): Background ambient noise level - Noise level exceeded 90% of the time (i.e., only 10% of the time noise levels were below this level).

2. General Data Transfer Overview:

The db-310 Dosimeter can output information in response to a remote request in ASCII format to a microcomputer. It cannot be programmed from a computer (see the db-310 Manual, Page 2-35). The computer can communicate with the Metrosonics db-310 using ENABLE communication software to capture and save data as text or ASCII format. The general process for downloading the db-310 noise data requires (a) establishing the connection

between the computer and the db-310, (b) transmitting commands and receiving data from the db-310 to the computer using a compatible communication protocol setup, (c) capturing received data and saving it, and (d) disconnecting when transmitting, receiving, capturing, and saving data are complete.

3. Calculating DNL from saved data using a computer program:

Calculating DNL from saved data can be accomplished with a BASIC computer program. It can be written to retrieve stored data, calculate the DNL, and save results on a disk. This program is listed in Appendix C. The DNL BASIC program listed in Appendix C requires execution from the C drive.

III. PROCEDURES

A. ENABLE communication setup:

See Appendix A on how to establish and save the communication protocol file.

B. db-310 Dosimeter Setup and Measurements:

1. Decide how many sites need to have DNL measurements, and how much data needs to be recorded.

2. Program the Metrosonics db-310 Dosimeter as follows:

a. SNO LEV key

- (1) Calibrate Metrosonics db-310
- (2) Change doubling rate to 3 dB

b. TIME key

- (1) Input current date and time
- (2) Input start date and time
- (3) Input test run for 24 hours
- (4) Select SCHED RUN: ON

c. DATA key

- (1) TIME HIST
 - (a) Select INT MODE: CONT
 - (b) Input a length of one hour
 - (c) Select CATCH-1: NO
 - (d) Select STAT: Av Mx PK

(2) AMP DIST

- (a) Input DST Ln(1): 1.0%
- (b) Input DST Ln(2): 10.0%
- (c) Input DST Ln(3): 50.0%
- (d) Input DST Ln(4): 90.0%

d. OTHER PARAMETERS: Leave at default values.

3. We recommend placing the db-310 dosimeters in zip-lock plastic bags and securing them at the site with the microphone cable running out the bottom of the bag (i.e., secure the dosimeter upside down). This will prevent moisture accumulation in the bag and will protect the dosimeter data from being lost if it should rain during the survey. Of course any other weatherproof method of securing the dosimeters in the field is acceptable. Place and secure the db-310 dosimeter at the site of interest. Cover the microphone with the windscreen, then place and secure it approximately 1.5 to 2.25 meters above the ground. To prevent moisture damage to the microphone due to moisture condensation or rain, it should be pointed toward the noise source and secured upside down.

4. When data collection is complete, post calibrate the db-310 dosimeter.

5. Down Loading Data Into ENABLE:

Down load data from the db-310 dosimeter to the microcomputer and save it to disk as an ASCII file using the communication portion of ENABLE software according to the following procedures:

1. Connect the output on the bottom of the db-310 dosimeter to the rear-25 serial port on the back of the Z-184 or to COM1 of the Z-248 by using in series: the Metrosonics dosimeter printer cable, a 25-pin female-female gender changer (or adapter cable), and a 25-pin to 9-pin adapter plug or cable.

2. Turn the dosimeter on. Press [PROG] and [DATA]; select [OUTPUT] and press [ENTER]. Select [9600] baud rate, [TABLE], [TITLE FORM:NO]. The dosimeter is configured to the proper communication parameters for the ENABLE telecommunication file "DB310" created in Appendix A.

3. Turn on the computer without a floppy disk in the 'A' drive. Allow the computer to boot from the hard disk. Enter the date and time, then Run ENABLE.

4. Establish the connection to the dosimeter. Enter the date and time on the initial screen or press [END]. Select [USE SYSTEM], [TELECOM], [COMMUNICATE], [USE SETUP]. The system is now in the communication portion of ENABLE.

4. Press [F10] to exit to DOS.

5. If a hard copy of the saved data file is required, then at the DOS prompt type [TYPE\ENABLE\FILENAME.TPF >LPT1] then press [ENTER] and the printer will start printing the original Metrosonics specified data file. FILENAME is the name of the saved file selected to be printed.

3. Running DNL BASIC Program:

4. Add the DNL BASIC program (Appendix C, which should have already been downloaded to drive C:) to calculate the DNLs from the saved captured data using the following procedure:

1. Enter the directory of BASIC: While at the DOS prompt [C:], turn on drive C:, then go to BASIC by typing [CD\BASIC] then [BASIC].

2. After the [OK] prompt appears, enter [LOAD"DNL"]. The [OK] prompt will appear again.

3. Run the DNL program by entering [RUN] or pressing [F2].

4. The BASIC program will explain its purpose and will allow you to check if the printer is connected and ready before proceeding. It will also allow you to enter the file name you want to process. Type the full path for the file as instructed by the program then press [ENTER]. The program will start processing the data and print a hard copy of the calculated DNL. See Appendix B for an example of the DNL program output.

IV. SUMMARY

The steps to download Metrosonics air-ill data and calculate DNL measurements can be summarized as follows: (1) create and save the captured data file output, (2) type and save the listed DNL BASIC program on drive C:, (3) download and save data, and (4) run the DNL BASIC program to calculate and print a hard copy of DNL noise levels.

V. CONCLUSIONS

The program for Metrosonics air-ill noise dosimeter data and calculating DNL measurements will provide the time required to calculate DNLs, and the data required for program needs. It also provides a method for automation of the data processing at the computer level. Finally, by using these programs, the Metrosonics air-ill noise dosimeter and a Zenith Micro computer can be used to provide a method for measuring community noise.

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS

For use in conducting environmental noise surveys, review applicable regulations and regulations to determine noise levels according to the regulations.

2. Because community noise compliance measurements require long term data acquisition and analyses, recommend all base bioenvironmental engineers use the method described in this report for DNL community noise measurements.

3. The method provided can be accelerated and modified by running ENABLE under macros. Recommend expert users of ENABLE develop their own macros to run ENABLE setups.

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APPENDIX A

ENABLE COMMUNICATION SETUP PROTOCOL FOR THE
METROSONICS MODEL db-310 NOISE DOSIMETER

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ENABLE db-310 COMMUNICATION FILE SETUP

1. When at the main menu, select **[USE SYSTEM]**, **[TELECOM]**, **[SETUP]**, **[ENTER]**. The screen will show the telecommunication setup form definition. Read the screen then press any key to continue.
2. You will be prompted to enter the name of the setup you wish to create or revise. Type DB310 then press **[ENTER]**. The screen will ask you to select setup parameters. Follow the following setup:
 - a. Special digits for outside line? Select **[NO]**
 - b. Alternative telephone system? Select **[NO]**
 - c. Telecommunication network? Select **[NO]**
 - d. Enter telephone number: **[leave blank by pressing DOWN ARROW]**
 - e. Autodial Modem? Select **[NO]**
 - f. Baud rate: Select **[7=9600]**
 - g. Parity option: Select # **[3]**
 - h. Type of duplex: Select **[HALF]**
 - i. Inter-character transmission delay: Select **[0]**
 - j. Other system supports Xon/Xoff? Select **[Y]**
 - k. Password or first response: **[Leave blank by pressing DOWN ARROW]**
 - l. Second Response: **[Leave blank by pressing DOWN ARROW]**
 - m. For the remaining options use default setup by pressing **[F10]**, then selecting **[SAVE]**. The screen will show that the setup file has been created and saved under "Setup Name" as "DB310", "Auto Dial" as "N", "Baud Rate" as "9600", and "Code" as "3H". Press **[F10]** to exit the setup portion and go to the main menu.

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APPENDIX B

DNL (BASIC) PROGRAM INPUT/OUTPUT EXAMPLES

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Example of the original Metrosonics db-310 Noise Dosimeter data file which is down loaded through the telecommunications portion of ENABLE and then saved as an ASCII file for use as input to the DNL BASIC program to produce the DNL report.

METROSONICS db-310 SN 501 V1.3 3/87
REPORT PRINTED 7/05/89 @ 10:29:29

DOUBLING RATE: 3dB FILTER: A WGH
DOSE CRITERION: 84dB RESPONSE: SLOW (G/SEC)
PRE-CALIBRATION TIME: 6/14/89 @ 20:37:12
PRE-CALIBRATION RANGE: 69.0dB TO 169.0dB
POST-CALIBRATION TIME: 6/21/89 @ 14:42:11
POST-CALIBRATION RANGE: 43.7dB TO 143.7dB

CALIBRATOR TYPE & SERIAL # : _____

CALIBRATOR CALIBRATION DATE: _____

TEST BEGAN 6/19/89 @ 16:00:00
TEST ENDED 6/20/89 @ 16:00:00
TEST LENGTH: 1DAYS 0:00:00
STANDBY TIME: 1 INTERRUPTION

Lav = 80.4dB Lav (80)= 80.0dB
SEL =129.6dB Lav (90)= 79.8dB
Lmax =126.0dB ON 6/20/89 @ 11:04:40
Lpk = 168dB ON 6/20/89 @ 11:04:40
TIME OVER 115dB 00 0:00:04.62

8 HR DOSE (80dB CUTOFF)=119.18%
8 HR DOSE (90dB CUTOFF)=114.05%

TIME HISTORY REPORT

OF PERIODS: 24 MODE: CONTINUOUS
 PERIOD LENGTH: 1:00:00
 TIME HISTORY CUTOFF: NONE
 "Ln(1): 10.0" Ln(2): 50.0"

DATE: 6/19/89 TAG #: 1

| INT | TIME | "Lav" | "Lmx" | "Lpk" | "L1" | "L2" |
|-----|------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| 1 | "16:00:00" | 71.5 | 91.3 | <126 | 72 | 69 |
| 2 | "17:00:00" | 69.4 | 83.8 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 3 | "18:00:00" | 69.0 | 69.0 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 4 | "19:00:00" | 69.3 | 82.8 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 5 | "20:00:00" | 69.0 | 70.6 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 6 | "21:00:00" | 69.0 | 69.0 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 7 | "22:00:00" | 69.0 | 69.0 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 8 | "23:00:00" | 69.0 | 69.0 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 9 | "0:00:00" | 69.0 | 69.0 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 10 | "1:00:00" | 69.0 | 69.0 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 11 | "2:00:00" | 69.0 | 69.0 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 12 | "3:00:00" | 69.0 | 69.0 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 13 | "4:00:00" | 69.0 | 69.0 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 14 | "5:00:00" | 69.1 | 84.3 | <126 | 69 | 69 |
| 15 | "6:00:00" | 71.9 | 100.1 | 131 | 69 | 69 |
| 16 | "7:00:00" | 76.4 | 100.3 | 132 | 75 | 69 |
| 17 | "8:00:00" | 79.6 | 111.1 | 141 | 76 | 69 |
| 18 | "9:00:00" | 90.5 | 119.7 | 149 | 81 | 71 |
| 19 | "10:00:00" | 71.9 | 89.1 | <126 | 73 | 70 |
| 20 | "11:00:00" | 90.5 | 126.0 | 168 | 76 | 70 |
| 21 | "12:00:00" | 74.6 | 102.8 | 133 | 75 | 69 |
| 22 | "13:00:00" | 74.7 | 95.3 | <126 | 77 | 70 |
| 23 | "14:00:00" | 74.4 | 101.4 | 131 | 74 | 69 |
| 24 | "15:00:00" | 73.9 | 94.4 | <126 | 76 | 70 |

** AMPLITUDE DISTRIBUTION REPORT **

TOTAL SAMPLES = 691200

| dB | SAMPLES | % OF TOTAL |
|-----|--------------------|------------|
| 69 | 543561 *****:***** | 78.64 |
| 70 | 43582 ***** | 6.30 |
| 71 | 28447 ***** | 4.11 |
| 72 | 18071 *** | 2.61 |
| 73 | 12487 ** | 1.80 |
| 74 | 9013 * | 1.30 |
| 75 | 6632 * | .95 |
| 76 | 4953 * | .71 |
| 77 | 4247 * | .61 |
| 78 | 3498 * | .50 |
| 79 | 3090 + | .44 |
| 80 | 2552 + | .36 |
| 81 | 2065 + | .29 |
| 82 | 1585 + | .22 |
| 83 | 1379 + | .19 |
| 84 | 1030 + | .14 |
| 85 | 817 + | .11 |
| 86 | 702 + | .10 |
| 87 | 586 . | .08 |
| 88 | 406 . | .05 |
| 89 | 360 . | .05 |
| 90 | 310 . | .04 |
| 91 | 260 . | .03 |
| 92 | 227 . | .03 |
| 93 | 201 . | .02 |
| 94 | 172 . | .02 |
| 95 | 124 . | .01 |
| 96 | 109 . | .01 |
| 97 | 101 . | .01 |
| 98 | 81 . | .01 |
| 99 | 61 | .00 |
| 100 | 59 | .00 |
| 101 | 43 | .00 |
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| 113 | 8 | .00 |
| 114 | 6 | .00 |

| FR | AMOUNT | OF TOTAL |
|-----|--------|----------|
| 123 | 1 | .00 |
| 124 | 1 | .00 |
| 125 | 1 | .00 |
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| 132 | 1 | .00 |
| 133 | 1 | .00 |
| 134 | 1 | .00 |
| 135 | 1 | .00 |
| 136 | 1 | .00 |

Ln 11.01 = 83dB
 Ln 13.01 = 72dB
 Ln 50.01 = 69dB
 Ln 90.01 = 69dB

| | NO | 80.9dB | 90.0dB |
|------|--------|--------|--------|
| | CUTOFF | CUTOFF | CUTOFF |
| Ln01 | 73.7dB | 69.6dB | 72.7dB |
| Ln02 | 71.7dB | 71.2dB | 70.5dB |
| Ln03 | 71.0dB | 70.5dB | 69.8dB |

Output example (DNL Report) of the DNL BASIC program generated from the input file (down loaded Metrosonics db-310 Noise Dosimeter data file).

METROSONICS db-310 SN 501 V1.3 3/87
 REPORT PRINTED 7/05/89 @ 10:29:29
 DOUBLING RATE: 3dB FILTER: A WGH
 DOSE CRITERION: 84dB RESPONSE: SLOW (8/SEC)
 PRE-CALIBRATION TIME: 6/14/89 @ 20:37:12
 PRE-CALIBRATION RANGE: 69.0dB TO 169.0dB
 POST-CALIBRATION TIME: 6/21/89 @ 14:42:11
 POST-CALIBRATION RANGE: 43.7dB TO 143.7dB
 CALIBRATOR TYPE & SERIAL # : _____
 CALIBRATOR CALIBRATION DATE: _____
 TEST BEGAN 6/19/89 @ 16:00:00
 TEST ENDED 6/20/89 @ 16:00:00
 TEST LENGTH: 1DAYS 0:00:00
 STANDBY TIME: 1 INTERRUPTION
 Lav = 80.4dB Lav (80)= 80.0dB
 SEL =129.6dB Lav (90)= 79.8dB
 Lmax =126.0dB ON 6/20/89 @ 11:04:40
 Lpk = 168dB ON 6/20/89 @ 11:04:40
 TIME OVER 115dB 0D 0:00:04.62
 8 HR DOSE (80dB CUTOFF)=119.18%
 8 HR DOSE (90dB CUTOFF)=114.05%

Lavg values for each hourly interval for the dosimetry

| Hour of Day | Lavg (db) | # intervals used for each hourly Lavg |
|-------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 :00 | 69 | 1 |
| 2 :00 | 69 | 1 |
| 3 :00 | 69 | 1 |
| 4 :00 | 69 | 1 |
| 5 :00 | 69.1 | 1 |
| 6 :00 | 71.90001 | 1 |
| 7 :00 | 76.4 | 1 |
| 8 :00 | 79.6 | 1 |
| 9 :00 | 90.5 | 1 |
| 10 :00 | 71.90001 | 1 |
| 11 :00 | 90.5 | 1 |
| 12 :00 | 74.6 | 1 |
| 13 :00 | 74.7 | 1 |
| 14 :00 | 74.4 | 1 |
| 15 :00 | 73.90001 | 1 |
| 16 :00 | 71.5 | 1 |
| 17 :00 | 69.4 | 1 |
| 18 :00 | 59 | 1 |
| 19 :00 | 69.3 | 1 |
| 20 :00 | 69 | 1 |
| 21 :00 | 69 | 1 |
| 22 :00 | 69 | 1 |
| 23 :00 | 69 | 1 |
| 24 :00 | 69 | 1 |

DNL (Ldn) = 81.45118 dB

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APPENDIX C
DNL (BASIC) PROGRAM LISTING

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THE BASIC PROGRAM LISTING

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1000
1010 PRINT "DNL Program to convert Metrosonics db 310 text file downloaded by"
1020 PRINT "ENABLE or PROCOM communications programs into a single DNL (Ldn)"
1030 PRINT "value."
1040 PRINT
1050 PRINT "Be sure printer is connected and ready before proceeding."
1060 PRINT
1070 ' Program written by AF0EHL/EHL, Noise Hazards Function
1080 ' Maj John Seibert
1090 ' Last revised 7 Nov 89 by Maj Terry Fairman and 1Lt All All
1100 '
1110 DIM CALC(24),LAVG(24),COUNT(24) 'Arrays to hold the intermediate
1120 ' calculation values, Lavg and number
1130 ' of total time periods for each of the
1140 ' 1-hr intervals in a 24 hr period
1150 DEF ENRD(R)=INT(R*10+.5)/10 'Round numbers to the nearest 0.1
1160 'Zero out each of the arrays
1170 FOR I=0 TO 23
1180 CALC(I)=0:LAVG(I)=0:COUNT(I)=0
1190 NEXT I
1200 '
1210 'Open the Metrosonics text file for reading
1220 '
1230 PRINT : PRINT "Enter the name of the Metrosonics db 310 text file"
1240 PRINT "that you want the DNL (Ldn) calculated from"
1250 PRINT
1260 PRINT "(i.e. 'A:\AOX920.TXT' for file 'AOX920.TXT' on the A drive) "
1270 PRINT "(For files created from ENABLE, enter \ENABLE\filename.IPF)"
1280 INPUT FILENAMES
1290 PRINT :
1300 PRINT "DNL (Ldn) Calculations for File: ";FILENAMES
1310 PRINT
1320 OPEN FILENAMES FOR INPUT AS #1
1330 PRINT
1340 PRINT "Enter the name of the output file to save the DNL printout into"
1350 PRINT "(Or REOPEN without a name if you do not want to save as a file)"
1360 PRINT
1370 INPUT OUTPUTNAME
1380 IF LEN(OUTPUTNAME)>0 THEN OPEN OUTPUTNAME FOR OUTPUT AS #2
1390 IF LEN(OUTPUTNAME)=0 THEN LPRINT "Calculations also saved in File:"
1400 OUTPUTNAME
1410 IF LEN(OUTPUTNAME)>0 THEN PRINT #2,"DNL Calculations for File: ";FILENAMES
1420 '
1430 'Print out the 24 lines of header data and print out as is
1440 '
1450 FOR I=0 TO 23
1460 PRINT #1;I;INTERVS
1470 IF LEN(INTERVS)=0 THEN GOTO 460 'Throw out blank line
1480 ' 'Throw out Formfeed
1490 IF LEFT$(INTERVS,1)=$ES(12) THEN INTERVS=MIDS(INTERVS,2)
1500 IF MIDS(INTERVS,2,2)=$DA THEN GOTO 570
1510 PRINT #1;INTERVS

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1050      *Calculating Day-time values
1060      DNLALC=DNLALC+(L*(LAVG(I)+10))
1070      GOTO 1090
1070      *Calculating Night-time values with 30 dB penalty
1080      DNLALC=DNLALC+10*((LAVG(I)+10)/10)
1090 NEXT I
1100 PRINT:PRINT "Calculating the final DNL value."
1110      *Calculating DNL
1120      *
1130      IF DNLALC=0 THEN GOTO 1160
1140      DNL=10*((LOG(DNLALC)-LOG(10))-(LOG(LAVGCNT)/LOG(10)))
1150      *
1160      * Printing out results
1170      PRINT:PRINT "Printing out results."
1180      LPRINT
1190      LPRINT "Lavg values for each hourly interval for the dosimetry"
1200      LPRINT
1210      LPRINT "Hour      Lavg      Interval"
1220      LPRINT "of Day      (db)      Number"
1230      LPRINT "-----"
1240      FOR I=0 TO 23
1250      IF I>9 THEN TS=MIDS(STR$(I),2,2)+"00":GOTO 1270
1260      TS="0"+MIDS(STR$(I),2,2)+"00"
1270      LPRINT " ";:LPRINT USING "\          \";TS::LPRINT USING
"###.##";LAVG(I)::LPRINT "          ";:LPRINT USING "##";COUNT(I)
1280 NEXT I
1290 LPRINT
1300 LPRINT "DNL (Ldn) = ";FNRD(DNL):" dB"
1310 LPRINT CHR$(12)      'FormFeed at end of printing
1320      *
1330      IF IF$(OUTNAMES)=0 GOTO 1490
1340      PRINT #2," "
1350      PRINT #2,"Lavg values for each hourly interval for the dosimetry"
1360      PRINT #2," "
1370      PRINT #2,"Hour      Lavg      # intervals used"
1380      PRINT #2,"of Day      (db)      for each hourly Lavg"
1390      FOR I=0 TO 23
1400      IF I>9 THEN TS=MIDS(STR$(I),2,2)+"00":GOTO 1420
1410      TS="0"+MIDS(STR$(I),2,2)+"00"
1420      PRINT #2," ";TS:"          ";:PRINT #2,USING "###.##";LAVG(I)::PRINT #2,
"          ";COUNT(I)
1430 NEXT I
1440      PRINT #2," "
1450      PRINT #2,"DNL (Ldn)      ";FNRD(DNL):" dB"
1460      PRINT #2,CHR$(12)      'Print a Form Feed character at end
1470      CLOSE #2
1480      *
1490      CLOSE #1
1500      CLS
1510      PRINT
1520      LOCATE 13,27:PRINT "DNL calculations completed":BEEP:BFEEP:BEEP:PRINT
1530      INPUT "Do another DNL calculation?".ANSS
1540      IF ANSS="Y" OR ANSS="y" THEN CLS:GOTO 170
1550      CLS:LOCATE 12,32:PRINT "***FINISHED!***"
1560      STOP

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APPENDIX D
HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE REQUIREMENT LIST

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HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS LIST

HARDWARE

1. MICROCOMPUTERS: Either Z-248, Z-184, or a PC compatible
2. CABLES AND CONNECTORS:
 - Metrosonics db-310 Dosimeter Printer Cable
 - 25-pin Female-Female Gender Changer (or Adapter Cable)
 - 25-pin to 9-pin Adapter Plug or Cable

SOFTWARE

1. ENABLE V.2.15 or 0A
2. GW BASIC
3. DNE BASIC PROGRAM

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